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Dear Mr. Macdonald, OCEAN ISLAND PHOSPHATES - Royalty Action.

The hearing of this action has now commenced and it has proved possible so far to arrange for a transcript of the speeches. As was proposed in Professor Maude's letter of 16th November, I am enclosing those so far received and will continue to have them sent to you.

I also enclose a copy of a letter which I have written to Professor Maude and which sets out the present position. When you have had an opportunity to consider this and possibly to communicate with Professor Maude - I shall be pleased (assuming that all stands as it did) to learn what assistance I can give as regards your arrangements for coming over.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

N. D. Ing.